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Register for edCamp @GeorgiaSouthern 2017 today!

March 3, 2017



Registration for the second annual edCamp at Georgia Southern University's College of Education is underway.

On Saturday, April 22 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., educators and administrators are invited to join edCamp @GeorgiaSouthern for a fun, unique learning experience. A participant-driven professional development for K-12 educators, edCamp is often referred to as an “unconference” because of the lack of traditional conference structure.

Attendees are asked to come prepared to participate in conversation or host a presentation about information they would like to share. Over 100 education professionals shared their knowledge about their teaching experiences and tools at the College's inaugural event in 2016. Participants also came prepared with questions they posed to educational professionals from other schools. Sessions for the day are created by consensus from those attending on what they would like to learn or discuss.

The College of Education hosts edCamp *free of charge* for any area K-12 education professionals who would like to attend. Breakfast and lunch are provided. Door prizes will also be awarded throughout the day's events. Last year's door prizes included a mini document camera, electronic whiteboard and complimentary subscriptions to Flocabulary.

Coordinators of edCamp @Georgia Southern include College of Education Assistant Professor Lacey Huffling, Ph.D., Associate Director of Annual Giving and Alumni Engagement John Ramfjord, and Associate Professor Michelle Reidel, Ph.D. For more information about edCamp, visit the event [website](#) or email Reidel at mreidel@georgiasouthern.edu.

Reserve your free ticket to the 2017 edCamp @Georgia Southern by visiting <http://bit.ly/2dtjYD0>

Scholar Coffee Chat with TCNJ's Marla Jaksch, Ph.D.

March 3, 2017



The College of Education's (COE) Department of Leadership, Technology, and Human Development is hosting a Scholar Coffee Chat with Marla Jaksch, Ph.D. on Friday, March 24 at 1 p.m. in COE room 2135.

Jaksch, an assistant professor of women's and gender studies at The College of New Jersey (TCNJ), will present a 30-minute lecture entitled, "Global Action and Women in STEM: The Solar Suitcase Project." A question and answer session will follow the presentation.

The Solar Suitcase Project is a transnational project that includes student service-learning and addresses the inclusion of women in community-based STEM initiatives. Jaksch and students in her Gender and Development in Tanzania class deliver and install solar suitcases to off-grid medical and health facilities in East Africa. In Tanzania and many developing nations, large numbers of women die during childbirth because they lack access to health clinics with reliable electricity.

The project provides both the installation of solar-based energy for better health services and collaboratively interacts with native women of Tanzania to teach them how to build and install the solar suitcases with local resources. The portable devices can be used for lighting, mobile communication devices and medical devices in low resource areas.

This event is sponsored by Georgia Southern's Campus Life Enrichment Committee; Institute for Interdisciplinary STEM Education; and the Department of Leadership, Technology, and Human Development.

Scholar Coffee Chat with Marla Jacksch, Ph.D. is free and open to the campus community. For additional information, please contact Toby S. Jenkins at tjenkins@georgiasouthern.edu.